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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-14 and add new claims 15-34, as follows:

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1-14 (canceled)

15. (new) A gas cooking apparatus, comprising:

at least one gas burner;

a control system for adjusting the heat output of said gas burner;

said control system including at least one control organ arranged in a gas main leading to said gas burner;

said control system controls said control organ to adjust a gas throughput supplied to a burner nozzle of said gas burner;

at least one secondary line coupled to said burner nozzle in parallel to said control organ;

said secondary line including an allocated shut-off organ for opening and closing said secondary line; and

said secondary line formed to have a flow resistance which restricts the gas throughput in said secondary line, said flow resistance lower than a flow resistance formed by said burner nozzle.

- 16. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 15, including said secondary line flow resistance which restricts said gas throughput is formed by the smallest transmission cross-section in said secondary line.
- 17. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 16, including said smallest transmission cross-section in said secondary line is larger than the transmission cross-section of said burner nozzle.
- 18. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 16, including said secondary line is open at least when a maximum gas throughput is set.

- 19. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 18, including said secondary line is closed when a partial gas throughput is set and said secondary line is only open when said maximum gas throughput is set.
- 20. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 15, including said shut-off organ for opening and closing said secondary line is constructed as an unthrottled control valve.
- 21. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 15, including said control system including a plurality of control organs, said control organs provided in a plurality of separate control lines branching off from said gas main and said control organs switched in parallel to one another.
- 22. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 21, including said control lines and said secondary line are constructed in a common housing.
- 23. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 21, including said control and said secondary lines each have a mounting opening in said common housing for inserting said control organs.
- 24. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 23, including said mounting opening of said secondary line is closed., possibly by a closure element (61).
- 25. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 24, including said mounting opening of said secondary line is closed by a closure element.
- 26. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 21, including said control system is designed so that a plurality of part gas throughputs (Q₁ to Q₇) increase up to about sixty percent (60%) of a maximum gas throughput (Q₈) in a substantially constant first increase.

- 27. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 26, including in a second increase said part gas throughputs (Q₁ to Q₇) increase from about sixty percent (60%) of said maximum gas throughput (Q₈) to said maximum gas throughput (Q₈) which is greater than said first increase.
- 28. (new) The gas cooking apparatus according to claim 21, including when a maximum gas throughput (Q₈) is set, said gas main, especially said control lines branching off from said gas main, are open.
- 29. (new) A method for controlling a gas cooking apparatus including at least one gas burner, comprising:

adjusting the heat output of the gas burner;

providing at least one control organ arranged in a gas main leading to said gas burner;

controlling said control organ to adjust a gas throughput and supplying said gas throughput to a burner nozzle of said gas burner;

coupling at least one secondary line to said burner nozzle in parallel to said control organ;

said secondary line including an allocated shut-off organ for opening and closing said secondary line; and

forming said secondary line to have a flow resistance which restricts the gas throughput in said secondary line, said flow resistance lower than a flow resistance formed by said burner nozzle.

- 30. (new) The method according to claim 29, including forming said secondary line flow resistance which restricts said gas throughput by the smallest transmission cross-section in said secondary line.
- 31. (new) The method according to claim 30, including forming said smallest transmission cross-section in said secondary line larger than the transmission cross-section of said burner nozzle.

- 32. (new) The method according to claim 29, including opening said secondary line at least when a maximum gas throughput is set.
- 33. (new) The method according to claim 32, including closing said secondary line when a partial gas throughput is set and only opening said secondary when said maximum gas throughput is set.
- 34. (new) The method according to claim 29, including forming said shut-off organ for opening and closing said secondary line as an unthrottled control valve.